

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO.: C-6877

COUNCIL SPONSOR: LAUGHLIN/COOPER

PROVIDED BY: CAO

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND AUTHORIZING ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT AND ALL ELIGIBLE WATER DISTRICTS/SYSTEMS UNDER ITS JURISDICTION IN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES RELATED TO AFFF/PFAS LITIGATION SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Government is committed to delivering clean drinking water to its customers and constituents; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Government is also committed to identifying parties and taking reasonable steps to avoid passing on the costs to its consumers and constituents for the treatment and remediation of contamination; and

WHEREAS, STAG LIUZZA, L.L.C. and JOHN YOUNG LAW FIRM have put together a team of uniquely qualified and experienced attorneys (the "Firms") who have joined together to assist public entities facing the challenges posed by contamination with per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS"); and

WHEREAS, the Firms are comprised of experienced attorneys in both in PFAS litigation and in the representation of public entities and water suppliers in cases involving groundwater contamination; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Government has determined it to be in its best interest to enter into the Agreement with the Firms and pursue any claims it may have related to PFAS; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Government desires to authorize the execution of the Contract for Legal Services attached and identified as Exhibit "A"; and

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that Parish President Michael B. Cooper is authorized to execute the Contract for Legal Services Agreement with the Firms based upon the terms and conditions set forth herein and, in a manner, substantially similar to the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024 AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

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ARTHUR LAUGHLIN, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

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KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK